**HOUSING WORK SHEET**

**Getting along**

1. What do you have in common (music, sports, foods, etc.)? In what ways are you different (smoking, drinking, late night person, early riser, etc.)?
2. Have you spent enough time with the person doing a variety of things together, perhaps vacations, movies, concerts, etc.?
3. If you talked about your differences (different music likes,sports likes, work schedules, etc.)? Have you discussed how you will deal with them?
4. Do you have different tastes in foods? Have you discussed meals and meal planning?
5. Have you talked about the sharing of responsibilities (like who cleans the bathroom, who cooks, who does dishes, who vacuums, who does laundry, etc.)?
6. Did you talk about visitors? What happens when you want to

invite others over?

1. Have you talked about the potential need for other
2. housemates? What are you going to do if you have conflicts?

What do you plan to do if one of you decides to leave?

1. Have you worked out an agreement about furnishings? Whose

furniture is it? What happens if one of you wants to leave?

1. Have you bought anything together?
2. Do you trust the person you plan to live with? Do you feel safe and secure with that person? Would your possessions be safe?
3. Have you discussed sexual issues? Is living together going to create problems among you or your potential companions?
4. What happens if you want some time in the house alone? How much privacy does each of you need? Is the house set up so you can have your own space?
5. Have you talked about how problems will be resolved between you? Do you have someone outside the home that you can turn to for support when conflicts arise?

Expenses

1. Have you discussed the costs of living together?
2. Have you developed a budget? Where did the amounts come
3. from? Is it based on facts? Can you afford it?
4. Do each of you know how much you will be paying on a
5. monthly basis for housing?
6. What specifically will each person pay for?
7. Who pays for utilities (gas, electricity, water, sewer, etc.), if
8. they are separate from rent?
9. When are your payments due? And to whom?
10. How will you budget for food? How often will you go shopping?
11. Will you be sharing food or buying your own?
12. How will the phone be paid for?
13. What happens if one of you does not pay on time?
14. What resources do you have if there is a financial problem?
15. Whose name is on the mortgage or lease? Have you discussed What happens if one of you wants to leave? How are you going to handle new housemates? How will you handle security deposits if you or your housemates want to leave?